

Lieutenant Colonel David C. Welch Battalion Commander, 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception)

Lieutenant Colonel David C. Welch is a native of Knoxville, Tennessee. He graduated East Tennessee State University with a BA degree in Marketing and commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry.

After graduating from the Infantry Officer Basic Course at Fort Benning, LTC Welch was assigned to 1st Battalion 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade 3 ID. He served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Mortar Platoon Leader, HHC Company Executive Officer and Battalion S4. After his tour on Kelly Hill, he attended the Infantry Officer Career Course. LTC Welch was stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He commanded Delta Company 1st Battalion 187th Infantry Regiment. He deployed to Pakistan and Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom December 2001. After Company Command, LTC Welch served as the Brigade S3 Air, 3rd Brigade 101st Airborne. He deployed February 2003 for the invasion of Iraq. Upon his return from Iraq, LTC Welch was stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He served as an operation officer in the Battle Command Training Program. When LTC Welch was promoted to Major, he was selected to be a FA43 (Human Resource) which later merged with AG Branch. LTC Welch moved to Fort Hood Texas to serve as the Brigade S1 for the 2nd Brigade 1st Cavalry Division. He deployed to Iraq in October 2006. Following the deployment, LTC Welch was assigned to Human Resources Command to serve as a Human Resources Operations/Integrations Officer with Field Service Division. LTC Welch next assignment returned him to Fort Hood to serve as the Deputy G1 for the 1st Cavalry Division. He deployed in March 2011 to Afghanistan where he served as the Deputy J1 for Combined Joint Task Force -1 and Regional Command – East. Upon his return from Afghanistan, LTC Welch was assigned to III Corps to serve as the Deputy G1 until his assignment at Fort Benning, GA.

LTC Welch's education includes the Infantry Officer Basic and Advance Courses, the Human Resources Qualifications Course, the Intermediate Level Education and the Center for Creative Leadership.

LTC Welch's military decorations and awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal (2OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (4OLC), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (4OLC), the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal (OLC), the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Parachutist Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.